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SENATOR HEFNER: That means we have...there will be six members...six voting members on the board.

SENATOR R. JOHNSON: Right, yes.

SENATOR HEFNER: And how come that the voting...that the nonvoting member from the host county, how come you chose (inaudible).

SENATOR R. JOHNSON: Well, I think that it's fair to say that giving Nebraska three voting members on the commission was objectionable to some of the other states. But we wanted to include the...a representative from the host county so that they can be involved in the whole process, whether they are actually a voting member or not, I guess, is a line of contention that you could have. But...

SENATOR HEFNER: So at least the host county then will have a member of that board, a nonvoting member, so they will know exactly what's going on from time to time.

SENATOR R. JOHNSON: Yes, it's a process of trying to include them so they...We've had some concerns expressed to our committee that they have not been as forthright, I should say the commission and...or the compact and the host...or the generators, well everybody involved,...

SENATOR HEFNER: Okay.

SENATOR R. JOHNSON: ...feel like they haven't had the information they need. So this will help them in that regard.

SENATOR HEFNER: Thank you. Then I have another question here. Okay, when we talk about the fees, now will the State of Nebraska set these fees, or will the compact?

SENATOR R. JOHNSON: No, under this bill the State of Nebraska, as the host state, will set the fees.

SENATOR HEFNER: Okay. And then will the fees be by weight or volume?

SENATOR R. JOHNSON: That I can't answer. Maybe Senator Beutler could answer that question.